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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. 09/869,565; Int'l Filing Date: December 31, 1998
For: **PTH Receptor and Screening Assay Utilizing the Same**
Inventors: Gardella *et al.*
Our Ref: 0609.4730000/SRL/M-G

Sir:

In reply to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) dated **August 17, 2001**, Applicants submit the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US);
2. Copy of the Notification to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures;
3. Original Declaration, executed by the inventors;
4. Preliminary Amendment and Submission of Sequence Listing;

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5. Paper and computer readable copy of Sequence Listing; and
6. One (1) return postcard.

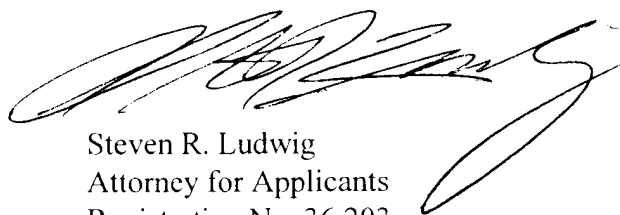
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f), the paper copy and the computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing submitted herewith are the same. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(g), the submission of this sequence listing includes no new matter.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned, and any fees therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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